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By ECF

Honorable J. Paul Oetken  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *United States v. Bennett Sprecher*, 19 Cr. 749 (JPO)

Dear Judge Oetken:

I write on consent (Assistant U.S. Attorney Samuel Rothschild) to respectfully request that the Court adjourn the change-of-plea proceeding currently scheduled for September 23, 2020, at 2:30 p.m. for a period of around 30 days. Mr. Sprecher is experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19, and thus will not be allowed into the courthouse at this time.

If the Court grants the adjournment, I further request that time be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act between now and the next court date.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
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Granted.

The change of plea hearing is hereby adjourned to October 30, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. The Court hereby excludes time through October 30, 2020, under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 USC 3161(h)(7)(A), finding that the ends of justice outweigh the interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

So ordered.

September 22, 2020

  
J. PAUL OETKEN  
United States District Judge